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SUBJ: WHEREIN THE UNITED NATIONS COMMENCES TO SELF DESTRUCT;

THE BLACK AFRICANS STAND UP FOR THEIR OWN INTERESTS
AND BREAK WITH THE ARABS: THE FACISTS IN CHILE AND
ASSORTED LIKE-MINDED FOLK IN LATIN AMERICA LINE UP
WITH THE ANTISEMITES OF OTHER EQUALLY PROGRESSIVE
PARTS OF THE WORLD: AND WHEREIN WHAT IS MORE THE
UNITED STATES FOR ONCE ENDS UP IN FIT AND SUFFICIENT
COMPANY

1. JOYCE HIT UPON THE TERM EPIPHANY FOR SUCH MOMENTS OF
SHOWING THROUGH. "ITS SOUL," HE WROTE, "ITS WHATNESS LEAPS
TO US FROM THE VESTMENT OF ITS APPEARANCE...THE OBJECT
ACHIEVES ITS EPIPHANY." IT HAPPENDE YESTERDAY TO THE UNITED
NATIONS.

2. SELF DESTRUCTION IS THE FIRST THING THAT SHOWED THROUGH.
NOT PERHAPS INAPPROPRIATELY, IT WAS THE IRISH AMBASSADOR,
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STANDING IN THE BACK OF COMMITTEE ROOM THREE AS THE FINAL

VOTE APPROACHED IN WHICH THE WORLD ORGANIZATION WOULD PUT ITSELF ON THE POINT OF OFFICIALLY ENDORSING ANTI-SEMITISM, WHO SAID "THE UNITED NATIONS IS DESTROYING ITSELF: THIS NIGHT: IN THIS ROOM."

3. AND YET STRONG THINGS SHOWED THROUGH ALSO. THE MOST STRIKING WAS THAT THE BLACK AFRICANS BROKE WITH THE ARABS WHO PROPOSED TO USE THEM IN THE MOST CYNICAL AND SELF SERVING WAY, NOT, ONE MIGHT ADD, FOR THE FIRST TIME RECORDED IN HISTORY. IN THIS REGARD, THE UNITED STATES TOOK THE INITIATIVE ON OCTOBER THREE BY MAKING UNMISTAKABLY CLEAR THAT TO EQUATE ZIONISM WITH RACISM WAS AN OBSCENE ACT THAT COULD ONLY END BY ABORTING THE PROPOSED DECADE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, AN EFFORT WHICH THE AFRICANS HAD PROPOSED, AND FOR WHICH, IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PLO-ARAB-SOVIET BLOCK DEMARCHE, WOULD HAVE WON UNANIMOUS SUPPORT IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE WEST EUROPEANS WERE PERSUADED TO JOIN US IN THE POSITION THAT WE WOULD VOTE IN COMMITTEE FOR EACH OF THE TWO RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING THE DECADE TO COMBAT RACISM, AND AGAINST THE RESOLUTION EQUATING ZIONISM WITH RACISM, WITH PRIOR UNDERSTANDING THAT IF THE LATTER RESOLUTION PAUSED, WE WOULD THEREFORE VOTE AGAINST ALL THREE RESOLUTIONS WHEN THEY CAME TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE AFRICAN STATES, WHICH ARE PERFECTLY CAPABLE OF SEEING THEIR TRUE INTERESTS IN SUCH MATTERS, SAW THAT THE ARABS WERE TAKING SOMETHING OF VALUE FROM THEM AND GIVING NOTHING IN RETURN. IN THE KEY VOTE ON A RESOLUTION OF SIERRA LEONE, SECONDED BY ZAMBIA, TO PUT OFF CONSIDERATION OF THE ANTISEMITIC RESOLUTION UNTIL 1976, ONLY 42 PERCENT OF THE BLACK AFRICAN STATES VOTED WITH THE ARABS. IN THE FINAL VOTE, ON THE ANTISEMITIC RESOLUTION ITSELF, ONLY ABOUT HALF THE AFRICANS VOTED WITH THE ARABS. AS THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTS THIS MORNING, "A YEAR AGO, THE ARABS HAD AN 'AUTOMATIC MAJORITY' OF COMMUNIST, AFRICAN AND ASIAN NATIONS AND THE NERVOUS ABSTENTIONS OF MOST WEST EUROPEANS." WELL, THIS TIME THE WEST EUROPEANS GOT HOLD OF THEIR NERVE, AND AT THE POST REPORT CONTINUES, "THE AFRICANS REBELLED."

4. APART FROM THIS, THE MOST STRIKING SHOWING THROUGH WAS
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THAT OF LATIN AMERICA, WHICH OVERWHELMINGLY SIDED WITH THE COMMUNIST AND ANTISEMITIC SIDE. ONLY THE TINY STATES OF COSTA RICA (GOD LOVE THEM) THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, HAITI, NICARAGUA, AND URUGUAY DARED TO VOTE WITH THE DEMOCRACIES ON THIS ISSUE. ALL THE OTHERS COLLAPSED, NAY GROVELLED IN THE FACE OF COMMUNIST THREAT, ARAB MONEY, AND THE NO DOUBT IRRESISTIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO BE VICIOUS.

5. THE MOST EPIPHANIC ACT OF THE EVENING WAS THE VOTE
BQ CHILE IN FAVOR OF THE COMMUNISTS AND THE ARABS. WE
HAVE NO RELIABLE INFORMATION AS TO WHY THEY DID THIS.
OPINION IN THE US MISSION IS ABOUT EQUALLY DIVIDED.
ONE GROUP HOLDS THAT FASCISTS ARE NATURALLY ANTISEMITIC,
AND THAT THE GENERALS WERE ONLY DOING WHAT CAME NATURALLY.
ANOTHER, LESS HISTORICAL, MORE CYNICAL GROUP, HOLDS THAT
OPINION IN THE UN CORRIDORS IS CORRECT, NAMELY THAT THE
CHILEANS SOLD THEIR VOTE TO THE ARABS IN RETURN FOR
AGREEMENT NOT TO PRESS THE REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP
OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, PUBLISHED THIS WEEK, THAT
THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT IS OPERATING "TORTURE CENTERS"
THROUGHOUT THE LENGTH AND SUCH BREADTH AS THERE IS OF
THAT UNHAPPY COUNTRY. A FRACTION OF EMBASSY OPINION NOT
NOTED FOR ACCURACY, BUT NONETHELESS DIFFICULT TO DISMISS,
CLAIMS THAT THROUGH A COMPLEX CIPHER IT CAN BE SHOWN THAT
PINOCHET IS ACTUALLY ALLENDE IN DISGUISE AND THERE HAS BEEN
NO CHANGE.

6. LASTLY THERE SHOULD BE NOTED THAT WHILE ONLY TWENTY NINE
NATIONS VOTED AGAINST THE ANTISEMITIC RESOLUTION, THE UNITED
STATES CAN BE PROUD OF THE COMPANY IT WAS IN. AN ISSUE OF
HONOR, OF MORALITY WAS PUT BEFORE US, AND NOT ALL OF US RAN.
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